EVOLUTION OF GUM LOG

Has Changed from Nulsance to Thing of Value.

FRUIT AND TRUCK CRATES

These, Which Were Formerly Imported from the North, Are Now Made from the Despised Gum Logs. Women Make the Baskets.

(Special From Staff Correspondent.) NORFOLK, VA., May 2.-A few years go about the most worthless thing

ago about the most worthless thing which could be conceived of was a gum log, such as could be found in great numbers in this section and in many parts of the Carolinas. The only thing fully equalling it in worthlessness was a gum tree growing in the forest. To-day, it is an acknowledged fact, that the gum tree has added enormously, directly and indirectly to the profit of truck raising in this section of Virginia and North Carolina, and incidentally, it is responsible for an industry which gives ample payment to thousands of men and women in the community.

Not many years ago, practically all the boxes, crates, baskets and barrels, used in the shipment of truck, came from the North. They were manufactured chiefly in the State of New York, and every year the trucker had to send away a large share of his last year's profits to pay for receptacles in which to ship his present year's crop. The barrels and boxes came to Norfolk empty and were sent back filled, but the money they cost never came back.

WAS A HAPPY CONCEPTION.

One red letter day a man conceived the idea that the gum tree which grew in profusion in the forests and swamps, would make stawes and boards for truck harrels and crates, if means could be found for splitting it. Be it known that it is as hard to split a gum log as it is to make Theodore Roosevelt change his mind. So he set about the devising of machinery with which the logs could be worked up. Other men became interested, and the result of their united labors is seen in the ponderous machinery in the barrel factories in and near this city to-day.

The factory of the Farmers' Manufacture of the country of the Farmers' Manufacture.

The factory of the Farmers' Manufac-turing Company in this city, which may be taken as an average, used about 40,000 feet of gum logs every day for ten months a year in the manufacture of boxes, barrels and buskets. The manufacture for every year 300,000 truck barrels. Nobody knows how many berry baskets, holding a quart each, are made at the factory. I was told at the office that the figures were certainly not under eight million; that they might reach ten mil-lion.

the company manufactures from the material all these barrels and boxes, sells them to the truckers who resultment in sight of the factory.

ARE SOLD VERY CHEAP.

two, and sends as much truck to market at about as good prices.

And the owner of the gum swamp, who formerly thought the more of the had the poorer he was, now finds himself growing rich off of the once despised

weet gum.

The factory alluded to above begins fork with the log. Indeed, it begins at its swamp, for the company, owns many tres of gum timber, chiefly located in forth Carolina. The logs are delivered by no railway company at the yard, and sey are then pulled by machinery to the drag saw" at the end of the immense uilding, where they are cut into four-post longths.

Next and the liquor dealors applied to Times-Dispatch who are instituted to the friend of smoke is produced by clouds of sieum escaping from crevices between the boards which form the boxes.

It requires from twenty-four to forty-eight hours to reduce the gum to supplied be carred up by the hungry machines waiting for it inside the factory a few yards away. When the timber has been rufficiently steamed the doors of the box Are opened and the logs are drawn forth by means of graphing hooks, for they means of graphing hooks, for they have as hot as boiling water. While still ytemming they are rolled up inside the building and to the knife-a ponderous machine, whose chief feature is a ponderpus cylinder, presumably of steel, about if feet long, with a sharp knife or bit cast into its side and running its entire length. The log is firmly locked in a machine somewhat resembling a turner's lattle, which is set to cut a board of the required thickness.

The machinery is started, the log re-

machine somewhat resembling a turner's lathe, which is set up at a board of the required thickness.

The machinery is started, the log revolves rapidly against the sharp, rigid knife, and shawings 4 feet wide begin to run out along the platform behind. It keeps two men busy throwing the hot shavings to one side, where they are taken by others and borne to another machine, to be cut into staves the desired width. The log is shaved down antil there is left only a core of perhaps a foot in diameter. This is sawed transversely in thicknesses of less than an inch. and the places are used as heads for the barels. The bark is the only portion of the log not put to use in the manufacture of barrels.

The barrel is set up on a revolving machine, which the cooper works with his foot. It requires but a few minutes to turn out a finished barrel as good as the most careful trucker desires for his cabbage.

WOMEN MAKE THE ASKETS.

to turn out a finished barrel, as good as the most careful trucker desires for his cabbage.

WOMEN MAKE THE MASKETS.

The berry baskets are made by machinery on the second floor. The operatives are women. They work at a long lable, each at a reachine, the feature of which is a metal cube which just fills a quart berry basket. The thin strips from which the baskets are made, cut to exactly the proper width and length, are piled on the table at the operative's hand, arranged in pairs laid together, so as to form a maltese cross. She hays the cross on the cube, pressed down two ends of the four arms of the cross the cube turns half round, the other two ends are presend down, a hoop is slipped down over the embryo tox, and tacked to it. There's the box Of course I have not it cribing the operation of this machiner of those who operates them, but simply to describe them has they impressed an onlocker.

Negro girls make all the baskets. A white woman is employed as inspectof. Boxes not up to the standard are thrown out. I was told that many of the women make over a \$1 a day. Nearly all of them have other women or children busy all the time arranging the hoops ready for instant use, and forming the crosses which are to form the sides of the baskets, and this way the number made in a day is largely increased.

kets, and this way the number made in a day is largely increased.

The gum logs furnish material for the entire enormous output of the factory, save the slender pleces of scentling to which are nailed the strips used in making the sixty-quart berry crates, which are of pine.

This is the story of the lowly and despised gum. He has made millions for the truckers, or will make it, by saving it for them.

the truckers, or will make it, by saving it for them.

But the day will come when a gum will be as hard to find as a walnut. And the farmer will still be raising truck. What then?

W. E. H.

SLUMP IN BIG DEALS

Rapid Development on the Virginia-Kentucky Border.

CRAB ORCHARD VA. May 21 -Cot gressman C. Slemp passed through here in company with several eastern capitalists on their way to Clover Fork, in Harlan county, Ky., and Lower Crab Orchard, in Lee county, Va., to finish up and pay for a large boundary of coal and timber lands recently purchased by them.

and timber lands recently them.

It is anticipated that a speedy development will follow this deal. Good many coal openings have been made around here in the past few days.

The Imboden Coke Company near Appalachia, is pushing their work rapidly now on treir railroad lines and coke oven plant.

BACK OF OLD VIRGINIA

William Hiter Jones Returns to His Native Soil After Half Century.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

FORK UNION, VA., May 21.—By the last train the venorable William Illter somes, editor, author and sohoar, returned from Fort Wayne, Ind., where he had lived for fifty years, and will say if the evening of an eventful life with his nephew here near this, his native place.

The burden of eighty-four years does not rest lightly upon him, an he is to say that he finds his native State of the say that he finds his native State of the say that he finds his native state of many priection of the scholar of the say of t (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

REV.PLUMMER JONES PASTOR

Appointed in Charge of Three Presbyterian Churches.

terian Churches.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ARVONIA, VA., May 21.—Mr. Plummer Jones, a student of Union Theological Seminary, has been appointed by the Synod as pastor of Arvon, New Canton and Scottsville Presbyterian Churches. He arrived in Arvon Wedneaday.

The petition of Mr. A. L. Pitts, begging for local option and receiving one hundred and one signatures has met with favor by Judge Moss. Marshall District will have the opportunity to decide for herself this all-absorbing question on July 11th. The issue will be watched with great interest.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., May 21.—
Mr. J. T. A. Barksdele is now developing his mine at Gilbert's Station for graphite. It is understood that the voin struck is very rich and promising.

THE MAGISTRATE REVERSES JUDGE

Warm Fight Over Liquor License in Stafford County.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FREDDERICKSBURG, VA., May 21.—
Messrs, J. P. Jones, R. S. Payne and C.
H. Kennedy, who were each granted H-

the induor dealers and they were tried yosterday afternoon in the Magistrate's Court.

There was a legal battle, both sides having an array of counsel, Justice Bryan decided that Judge Chichester's order was void and required each of the liquor dealers to give bond of \$100 to keep the peace and not sell liquor unlawfully. From this Judgment the liquor men appealed to the County Court and gave bond. The case will be heard at the next term.

This is said to be the only instance on record where a decision of a County Court has been set aside by a Magistrate's Court. Future developments will be watched with interest.

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SECRETARY FOR CHAMBER

Chamber of Commerce Se lects Capt. N. T. Patteson.

FEW VOTERS REGISTERING

A Horse Thief Believed Also to Be Murderer-Mrs. Gwaltney Declared Insane and Sent to the Asylum. Epworth League President.

PETERSBURG, VA., May 21 .- The Em Land and Investment Company which has just increased its capital stock from 25,000 to \$1,000,000 and established its from 55,000 to \$1,000,000 and established its principal office in Petersburg, has taken over the Ettrick milling property in this city. Just what the company's purpose is to do with this property is not at this time known. There will be further develop-ments in the next few days. The Board of Governors of the Peters-burg Chamber of Commerce will recom-ment Captain Nelson T. Patteson as sec-retary and treasurer until the Chamber

can approximate its annual receipts. The

board will also recommend a change in the by-laws so as to provide that professional men shall only pay five dollars per year as dues. The report of the board will be submitted to the Chamber at its next meeting.

Very few woters are registering in this city. It is presumed that about fall entitled-to register have already done so. The intensely hot weather does not in any way deter the crowds from the meetings held by the Rev. George R. Stuart at West Hill warehouse, in this city. Mr. Stuart has large audiences, both night and day, the night and dences overcrowding the building. There were five conversions at the services last night. INDICTMENTS

Indictments for felony were returned this morning in the Coropration Court against John Cheatman, J. P. Rhodes, P. S. Rives and Josephine Townsend. Cheatham was acquitted of the charge of entering the residence of Dr. Hinton and Stealing an overcoat and hat. Josephine Townsend, charged with felonious assault was sent to jall for ten days and fined 50. The case against P. S. Rives.

Charles Ross, who was arrested yester-day on the suspicion of stealing a horso, is now suspected of being a murderer. Ross answers the description of a negro Ross answers the description or a negro woo shot and killed a negro in Norfolk several days ago and afterwards escaped. An officer from Norfolk will come to the city in an effort to identify him. Ross denies that he was ever in Norfolk, and

years ago.

DECLARED INSANE.

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Mrs. J. T. Gualtney, who gave morphine to her infant child and took the same drug in an effort to end her Mfg, has been declared insane, and will be sent to the Southeastern Hospital.

Mrs. Florence W. Wells, who died at the Virginia Hospital last night, was the widow of the late John W. Wells, formerly a well known druggist in this city. The hody will reach Petersburg to-morrow afternoon at 8:15 o'clock, and will be buried in Blandford Cemetery.

A lawn party for the benefit of the Home for the Sick will be given at Marshall and Adams Streets to-morrow afternoon.

worth Legue Convention of Virginia met in the Young Men's Christian Asociation parlors this afternoon. First Vice-President W. H. Vincent, of Capron, Va, presided. Rev. E. T. Dadmun was elected president in the place of Rev. S. C. Hatcher, who was recently elected and who declined to serve.

PLAYED WITH A SNAKE

Ran Pedestrians on the Streets With the Reptile.

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Sheetal to The Times-Dispatch.)

BLUEDFIELD. W. VA., May 21.—John Compton walked from his home at Falls Mills. Va., to this 4ty. En rate he captured a snake about two feet long. He brought the reptile to Fluisheld with him, and upon reaching here proceeded to have fan with it. Wrapping the snake about his loft arm, with the head of the reptile held firmly between the thumb and forefinger of his right hand, while his snakeship wrighed and struggled to get loose, shooting out its forked tongue in a terrifying manner. Compton began to chase pedestrians from the sidewalks and in some instances rain persons who were kenuinely frigatined the length of a block. He soon can underly a policeman, who was afraid neither of Compton for do his snake, and then the fun was given promise to being one of man, who was afraid neither of Compton nor of his snake, and then the fun was over. The snake charmer was pieced under arrest and as the police court was then in session, was given immediate trial. He was found guilty of disturbing the peace and was fined \$2.50 and costs. The snake was condemned to death, and was executed in the courthouse yard in the presence of a large crowd of anused spectators. Before the execution, Compton begged that the snake be given to him, saying that he wished to take it home for his children to play with.

Report on Plant Fossils,

(Special to The Times-Plsyntch.)
(CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., May 21.—
Prof. Wm. M. Pontaine, of the University of Virginia, has just completed a report on the plant fossils of the mesozolo period, collected by the Maryland

Geological Survey, which is working in connection with the United States Geological Survey. The United States Geological Survey undertakes to have these fossils determined and the results published. The work of determining them was intrusted to Prof. Fontaine by the United States Government Survey.

Prof. Fontaine previously reported for the United States government on fossil plants collected from Oregon, Alaska and other points in the Northwest.

LOUDOUN ELECTION

Many Candidates for Each and a Hot Contest Expected.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
LigitsHURG, VA., May 21.—The election of county and district offleers for Loudoun county, which will be held under the new Constitution on Tuesday after the first Monday in November of this year, promises to be the most exciting and the most notly contested election in the history of Loudoun. For the office of sheriff there are known to be three candidates in the field, two of whom, Mr. George W. Virts and Mr. Thomas W. Edwards, have publicly announced themselves; for the office of treasurer there are six applicants, but only one has made public announcement through the press—lev. George W. Popkins; for clerk of the court there are three avowed candidates. Throughout the county in the several districts several candidates for commissioner of the revenue in each district have announced themselves, while for the minor district offices a number of applicants for each office is daily appearing. pacial to The Times-Dispatch.)

HARDY-ROBERTSON

Beautiful and Impressive Wedding in Nottoway. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NOTTOWAY C. H., VA., May 21.—One of the most beautiful and impressive deddings that ever occurred at this place was solomnized last night at the Brick

groom.

The presents were numerous and costly and among them was a solid silver service, presented by the father of the bride.

Kinsey—Graves.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BRISTOL, VA., May 21.—One of the most brilliant nuptial events of recent years was celebrated at the First Presbyterian Church at 5:29 o'clock this afternoon when Miss Mary Carolyn Graves became the bride of Mr. Walter Franklin Kinsey, of Roanoke. The church was elaborately decorated and the briday party formed under a large arch of rosos and evergreens, from which was suspended a lovely floral bell. The marriage cormony, which was witnessed by several hundred guests, was performed by Rev. W. O. Cochran, D. D., pastor of the church. The bride's attendants were Miss Lucile Barker, Miss Corinne Hammock, Miss Annie Childress, Miss Dalsy Kinsey, and Miss Ethel Scabrook, the latter of Memphis.

The groomsmen were Messrs. Hugh M. Hill, E. K. Bachman, Lindsay Bunifing, George Ma-Neill and Joe Graves. The groom's best man was Wm. H. Brown, of Pulaski. The ushers were Mossrs. Neil Young, James Wallace, Cabel Childress and Jesse Owen. The beig and groom have gone to the eastern cities on their bridal trip.

Lambs for New York.

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(special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SHIRLEY, VA., May 21.—Mr. Ro.
Brauer, of the Brauer Cattle Company,
of Richmond, was in this neighborhood
on Wednesday for the purpose of buying
lambs for the Now York market. He
purchased in the neighborhood of four
hundred head at good figures. It is reported that the company had purchased
about two thousand head of lambs which
will be sent on to New York as they attain the proper size.

COUNTY OFFICERS

Promises to Be Animated in

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
SUFFOLK, VA., May 21.—The campaign for county officers in 1sle of Wight gives promise of being one of the most spirited they have had for years.
The two offices most sought for are those of treasurer and commissioner of revenue. So far there are five persons whose names have been mentioned in whose names have been mentioned in connection with the treasurer's job, They

are B. L. Roberts, incumbent; Jesse Whitley, Dr. Franklin Pierce, Fred Ran-dolph, and R. S. Thomas, Jr. For commissioner of revenue there are suposed to be six candidates already. They are T. J. Chapman, C. C. Hart, James R. Bowden, Clarence Edward. C. C. Hart, James R. Bowden, Clarence Edwards, Robert Edwards and

William Porter.
For sheriff the aspirants are Robert A. Edwards, incumbent, and O. L. Batten, present commissioner of revenue.

FORTY CASES ON DOCKET

A Busy Term of Chesterfield Circuit Court.

WIRE SET STORE ON FIRE

Company is Responsible-Mr. Fisher Sells Ettrick Property for a Cool Hundred Thousand.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
CHESTERFIELD, VA., May 21.—Tho
Circuit Court of Chesterfield county has
been engaged on this, the fifth day of the
term, in the trial of the cuse of A. W.
Bensley vs. the Atlantic Coast Line Raliread Company, for fire damages. Yesterday a suit of W. O. Watkins against the
Sanboard Air Line Raliway for \$2,000 for
damage to Ampthill farm through the
diversion and obstruction of Grindall
Cheek, was terminated after a two days'
fight by a verdict in favor of the raliway
company.

fight by a verdict in favor of the railway company.

About forty fury cases were on docket at the opening of this term, ten of which up to this time have been disposed of. The court has cases set for every day up to and including June 1st, and will adjourn finally on June 4th.

The case axciting perhaps the greatest interest will be heard on the 28th—Harry J. Rubin against the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railway Company, for a stock of general merchandise destroyed by fire originating from a telephone wire, which connected Rubin's store with the Long Distance Telephone Company of Virginda's wire, on the Petersburg Turnpike.

SLEET CAUSED FIRE.

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The fire occurred while the Richmond and Petersburg Electric Railway was under construction, and was caused during a winter sleet by the sagging of the vire of the Long Distance Telephone Company until it came in contact with the trolley wire of the new railway, the strong current of the trolley wire thus being turned on the telephone wire, causing several fires at telephone stations along the turnpike.

be held liable for the damages resulting. The telephone company was the first to occupy the turnpike, but the evidence is that it was through the slackening of their wire that the fire occurred. Over sixty witnesses have been summoned to testify in this case, which must needs, therefore, occupy several days.

The suit of A. W. Bensley, in hearing to-day, is for \$3,000 damages to land, a part of which lying on the turnpike, the plaintiff claims to have been a valuable park.

part of which, lying on the turnpike, the plaintiff claims to have been a valuable park.

The Circuit Court of Petersburg will begin on June 5th. Judge Hancock will hold a special term in Nottoway county about June 10th to try a liquor license appeal case from Burkeville.

ONE HUNDRED THOUSAND.

A deed was recorded in the clerk's office to-day from Charles Hall Davis and A. Wright, of Petersburg, to the "Emporia Land and Investment Company," conveying forty-six acres of land at Etrick, formerly the property of the Etrick Manufacturing Company, on which the mills and manufacturing plant long owned by the Etrick Manufacturing Company are situated. The price paid for the property was \$100,000. This property was sold under a deed of trust to Mr. George E. Fisher, of New York, in March of this year, and by him sold to Messrs. Davis and Wright on April the 8th.

The private school conducted at this place since October of last year by Miss Bessie Bigby, of Ballsville, closed its secsion to-day.

RAISED THEIR RIGHT HANDS IN APPROVAL

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SMITHFIELD, VA., May 21.—A very large and enthusiastic meeting of the Calcotte-Wrenn Camp, of this county, was

plause.

Steps, were taken to organize a chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy at Benn's, and notice was given that a Confederate camp would soon be organized in Smithfield.

The Benn's Church people furnished free, beneath their grand old oaks, an claborate and bountful dinner, as they always do, and the fragments that were gathered up would have fed just as many more.

MEMORIAL DAY

IN FREDERICKSBURG

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FRISDERICKSBURG, VA., May 21.—
To-day was observed here as Confederate Memorial Day. In the afternoon business was generally suspended. The line of

LIVE VIRGINIA ITEMS FROM THE FIELD AT LARGE

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

NIEWPORT NEWS, VA., May 21.—It is announced that the cruiser Maryland, sister ship to the West Virginia, recently launched here, will not ge overboard until next fall. The Maryland is not far behind her slster, but there is no hurry for the ways on which she rests, and work can be pushed more expeditiously before launching than after.

STAUNTON, VA., May 21.—Mr. William McDanlel, one of Siaunton's thoroughbred sportsmen, has just returned from a very successful fishing trip on the headwaters of the Potomac River. He had the bost luck about ten miles below Montrey, where he landed one hundred and fifty-three trout, seventy-five of which were over nine inches long. On his return Mr. McDanlel was very liberal in distributing his catch amongst his many friends, and a large number of them enjoyed a fine trout breakfast.

CRANCE, VA., May 21.—Judga Morton

(Bloccal to The Timos-Dispatch.)

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HOADME, VA., May 21.—Lewls D.

Chouch, a popular employe of the machine shops, and Miss Reulah Evans were married last night, Rev. W. G. Johnson

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for under all circumstances and conditions statements are positively substantiated by the merchandise, and

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elegantly tailored, with long, narrow collar, broad shoulders and elastic hair-cloth fronts; suits that rival costly mer-

procession was formed in front of the courthouse at 5 o'clock.

Captain D. M. Lee was chief marshal, and was assisted by the following aides: Captain W. A. Smith, Mesers. W. I. Blaughter, J. P. Corbin, A. P. Howe and Colonel James A. Turner. The march was made to the cemetery, where the immense concourse gathered around the Confederate monument. Ray. Dr. J. W. Roseno prosided, and the exercises opened with a hymn, sung by the assemblase, led by a select choir. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. S. Hutchinson, pastor of the Methodist Church, An eloquent address was delivered by Judge John T. Goolrick. Benediction was pronounced by Dr. Rosebro and taps were sounded by Bugler Elmor G. Heffin, after which the soldiers graves and many others were profusely decorated with beautiful flowers.

STANDARD OIL RESISTS

Refuses to Pay Special License Tax-A (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PRODUCKSBURG, VA., May 21.— The Standard Oil Company refused to pay the special license tax assessed against that company for transacting business in this city, and City Collector towe levied on the team. Before he advertised the team a representative of the company came here, and yesterday after-

RED MEN'S CARNIVAL

Public Marriage and Many Presents to

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Midlighth D.D. W. VA., May 21.—The business part of this city is a veritable mass of bunting, the occasion for the decoration being the Red Men's Carnival, which will be held here all of next week Winat promises to be not the least interesting feature is a public marriage, which is to take place Thursdernight, the bride and groom are to receive \$700 worth of presents, and, in addition, flowers, carriages, supper, wedding ring, marriage license, and the services of a clergyman are to be furnished free.

It is known that bride and groom have been secured for the occasion, but the most rigid secrecy is being maintained in regard to their names, which will be withheld until the night of the marrage. However, your correspondent is in a position to state that the prospective groom is a Red Man and a member of the Bramwell Tribe, and the bride-to-be also hails from Bramwell. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

UNIVERSITY COACH

Abbott May Forego Law for a While to Whip Them Into Shape.

Whip Them Into Shape.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA., May 21.—
The question of procuring a coach for the University of Virginia foot-ball team next fall has been worrying the athletic authorities at that institution no little for several months past. Now the prospects are that the eleven will be able to again secure the services of Mr. C. Westley Abbot (Yale '98), who has so successfully coached the Virginia players for the past two seasons.

Mr. Abbot, who is now practicing law in New York city, has the matter under consideration and a favorable reply is expected from him this week. Mr. John L. de Saulles, of South Bethlehen, Pa, who rounded the Virginia team into sufficient shape to defeat the Carlisie Indians in November last, has kindly consented to spend a week or more with the Virginia team late in October.

Mr. de Saulles is now a member of the real estate firm of Bloodgood, de Saulles & Co., New York city.

Rabbi Calisch's Subject.

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Apropos of Eemerson's cententary, Rabbi E. N. Calisch will take or his theme for this eventing's service; ". "aism and Unatarism." The discourse will be of much interest.

Mrs. J. M. Smith, who has been visiting relatives in Richmond, left last evening for her home in New York city. She was accompanied back by Miss Loh Gary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gary, of No. 801 East Marshall Street, who will also visit in Baltimore on her yeturn.

THE JURY VIEWED SCENE OF ACCIDENT

Passenger Train Held and Run Back and Forth as Ob-Ject Lesson.

General to The Times-Dispatch.)
MEHDERIN, VA., May 21.—Circuit Court, which is in session at the County Courthouse, adjourned yesterday in the midst of the case of Mrs. W. H. Stokes vs. the Southern Railway, which at present is creating much interest in this section, in order to allow the jurymen to come to this place which is the scene of the occurrence, when in August last her husband with his team, was killed at a crossing just above the depot here. The twelve men arose early and in company with the deputy sheriff, were driven over the dry, dusty roads the distance of sixteen miles and were here or the scene by half-past 8 o'clock. They were also accompanied by counsel or both sides and other men connected with the case.

They were immediately driven to the crossing and the passenger train that arrives here at 9 o'clock was stopped at the crossing and was made to go backward and forth several times in order to give the jurymen some idea of the cliferent views that were to be had from tha road.

THE RED MEN

ELECT OFFICERS

(Special to The Times-Dispatch,)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., May
The Great Council of Red Men of
ginin in session here, elected the fo
ing officers to-day; Great Sachem
K. Walden, Richmond; Great Sagamore, David Johnson, Rip 1
Great Junior Sagamore, J. W. Bi
Petersburg; Great Prophet, A. M.
Lis Hammon; Great Chlef-of-Red Great Junior Sagamore, J. W. Brown, Petersburg; Great Prophet, A. M. Tennis, Hampton; Great Chief-of-Records, Cornellus B. Wells, Manchester; Great Wampum, H. H. Bouthall, Lynchburg; Representatives to the Great Council of the United States, Charles J. Phillips, A. M. Tennis, Hampton; Great Trustee, Samuel McCaughey, Hampton; Great Sannap, A. B. Bowering, Fredericksburg; Great Misuwewa, John H. Breeder, Nansemond county; Great Guard of Wigwam, William Chilahan, Wiso county; Great Guard of Forest, W. H. Jacques, Norfolk.

FIRE WIPES OUT LOUISBURG, N. C.

Destroyed Eight Buildings in Town, Burning the Heart of Business Portion.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

LOUISBURG, N. C. May 21.—At 2 o'clock this morning fire broke out in the business section here and before the flames could be checked eight buildings were consumed. Those destroyed include the Louisburg Hotel, in which was the bottofice, the Parmers and Merchants Hank, the livery stables of K. P. Hill, and Hays and Fuller and Saunders' saloon. Estimated loss \$30,000 not half covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Eight buildings were totally destroyed as follows:

K. P. Hill and Company's sales stables and brick store; loss \$7,500; insurance, \$1,000.

Mrs. Lea Williamson's storehouse, \$500; no insurance. Large brick hotel, owned by stock company, and a building adjoining it; total loss \$20,000; insurance, \$1,500.

J. P. Winston, loss on stock, \$3,000; fully insured.

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M. C. Pleasants, grocer.
J. C. Cooper, general merchandise.
Pleasants Brothers, druggists.
A jewelry store; name of the owner could not be ascertained.
The fire started in an old wooden building of the hotel lot. There was no loss of life. The cause of the fire is unknown.

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Louisburg is the county seat of Franklin county, and has a population of about
1500. It is a thriving little community,
among its industries being a cotton seed
oil mill several leaf tebacco houses, and
a splendid female college with a large